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E'* 146. A method of providing financial cards and related financial card customer services comprising a health reminder for end users of said financial cards and said related financial card customer services, comprising:

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- a. means for enabling an entity issuing said financial cards and providing said related financial card customer services to provide said health reminder, and comprising means for enabling where said health reminder provides an additional financial card customer service function relating to the health of said end users;
 - b. means for providing said financial cards and said related financial card customer services comprising said health reminder to said end users, where said financial cards and said related financial card services enables said end users to perform financial card functions relating to and comprising the purchase goods and services, and where said health reminder acts as a health awareness tool for said end users of said financial cards and said related financial card customer services, where said health reminder comprises at least one health related reminder(s), tip(s), or suggestion(s) for said end users and/or individuals related to or otherwise associated with said end users with regards to any health-related topic(s), health-related preventive measure(s), medical check-up(s), medical examination(s), or medical procedure(s), and where said health awareness tool encourages said end users to take self-initiative or self-action to heed said health-related preventive measure(s), to schedule said medical check-up(s), said medical examination(s), or said medical procedure(s), where said health awareness tool is not used to remind said end users of a preexisting or already scheduled doctor appointment, but rather to raise health awareness and to encourage said end users to self-schedule said medical check-up(s), said medical examination(s), and/or said medical procedure(s) in absence of any direct prompting from the doctors or health care professionals of said end users;

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- c. means for attracting potential end users to said financial cards and said related financial card customer services comprising said health reminder;
 - d. means for converting said potential end users into said end users by enabling said potential end users to apply for said financial cards and said related financial card customer services, where the application for said financial cards and said related financial card customer services reflects the preferences, desires, or consent of said end users to receive said health reminder, or, in the case of said health reminder being offered to existing end users of financial cards and related financial card customer services, where said existing end users express preferences, desires or consent to receive said health reminder, and comprising means for providing said potential end users with means for applying for said financial cards and said related financial card customer services, where said means for applying for said financial cards and said related financial card customer services comprises the use of any communicative format;
 - e. means for approving said potential end users to become approved said end users of said financial cards and said related financial card customer services, where the receiving of said health reminder is contingent upon said potential end users becoming said approved said end users of said financial cards and said financial card customer services, and where said health reminder is offered as an incentive for said potential end users to become said end users for said financial cards and said related financial card customer services;
 - f. means for providing and relaying prompts to said end users relating to said health reminder, where said means for providing and relaying prompts comprises the use of any communicative format, and where said means for providing and relaying prompts to said end users may occur at any time before, during, or after said potential end users have become said approved end users of said financial cards and said related financial card customer services;

- g. means for receiving end user data relating to said health reminder, where said means for receiving end user data comprises the use of any communicative format, and where said means for receiving said end user data relating to said health reminder may occur at any time before, during, or after said potential end users have become said approved end users of said financial cards and said related financial card customer services;
- h. means for storing said end user data on a computer readable medium relating to said health reminder;
- i. means for allowing said end users to perform transactions relating to said financial cards and related financial card customer services, using said financial cards, resulting in transaction data;
- j. means for storing said transaction data on a computer readable medium;
- k. means for providing said health reminder to said end users based on said prompts and said end user data, where said means for providing said health reminder comprises the use of any communicative format; and,
- l. means for providing financial card transaction statements to said end users based on said transaction data, where said means for providing said financial card transaction statements comprises the use of any communicative format.
147. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said method to function in terms of a financial card comprising a health reminder feature, or where said method functions in terms of a health reminder comprising a financial card feature, comprising means for enabling an entity that provides said health reminder to also issue financial cards and provide related financial card customer services, where said financial cards and said related financial card customer services are specifically offered in conjunction with, specifically related or tied to, or otherwise specifically combined with said health reminder, and not where said entity issues said financial cards and provides said related financial card customer services where said health reminder is not specifically offered in conjunction with, not

specifically related or tied to, or not otherwise specifically combined with said financial cards and said related financial card customer services.

148. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said financial card to comprise any financial card used wholly or in part as a credit instrument.
149. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said financial card to comprise any financial card used wholly or in part as a debit or ATM instrument.
150. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said health reminder to comprise information provided by the following entities, either singularly, or plurally in any combination or permutation: said entity; said end users; or a third party entity or third party entities, where said third party entity or said third party entities may or may not comprise entities in a health related field; further comprising including means for enabling said entity, said end users, said third party entity or said third party entities to relay said information using any communicative format or technology.
151. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said prompts to comprise specific headings, questions, information, or guidelines that enable said end users to supply said end user data.
152. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said prompts to comprise specific headings, questions, information, or guidelines that have health related topicalities, where the totality of said prompts comprises the addressing of health related matters of said end users and where the intended purpose of said totality of said prompts is to raise said end users' awareness of health related issues pertinent to said end users.
153. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said reminders, tips, or suggestions to comprise both health related and non-health related topicalities, and comprising means for enabling said prompts to comprise specific headings, questions, information, or guidelines comprising both health related and non-health related topicalities.

154. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for providing said prompts to said end users either directly by said entity providing said health reminder, or indirectly via a third party or third parties, where said third party or said third parties may or may not comprise entities in a health related field, where said third party or said third parties may be associated with, retained by, referred by, or linked via Internet or intranet with said entity, and comprising means for providing said prompts to said end users using any communicative format or technology.
155. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for adding, modifying, revising, or deleting said prompts by any party or parties deemed desirable, where said party or said parties comprise said entity, said end users, and/or associated third party entity or third party entities, where said third party entity or said third party entities may or may not comprise entities in a health related field, where said third party or said third parties may be associated with, retained by, referred by, or linked via Internet or intranet with said entity and/or said end users, and comprising means for adding, modifying, revising, or deleting said prompts using any communicative format or technology.
156. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said end user data to comprise basic cardholder information.
157. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said end user data to comprise end user preferences information.
158. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for adding, modifying, revising, or deleting said end user data by any party or parties deemed desirable, where said party or said parties comprise said entity, said end users, and/or associated third party entity or third party entities, where said third party entity or said third party entities may or may not comprise entities in a health related field, where said third party or said third parties may be associated with, retained by, referred by, or linked via Internet or intranet with said entity and/or said end users, and comprising means for

adding, modifying, revising, or deleting said end user data using any communicative format or technology.

159. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said health reminder to comprise reminders, tips, or suggestions that are automatic, general, or non end user-specific in nature, and do not comprise basic end user information or end user preferences information.
160. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said health reminder to comprise reminders, tips, or suggestions that comprise basic end user information to tailor said reminders, tips, or suggestions to said end users.
161. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said health reminder to comprise reminders, tips, or suggestions that comprise end user preferences information that enables said end users to select, customize or tailor any or all aspects of said reminders, tips, or suggestions comprising parameters, content, text, etc, where the end results comprise the preferences or desires of said end users.
162. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said health reminder to comprise reminders, tips, or suggestions that comprise any permutation or combination of: reminders, tips, or suggestions that are automatic, general, or non-end user specific in nature, and do not comprise basic end user information or end user preferences information; reminders, tips, or suggestions that comprise basic end user information to tailor said reminders, tips, or suggestions to said end users; or reminders, tips, or suggestions that comprise end user preferences information that enables said end users to select, customize or tailor any or all aspects of said reminders, tips, or suggestions comprising parameters, content, text, etc, where the end results comprise the preferences or desires of said end users.
163. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for acknowledging the receipt of said health reminder by said end users.

164. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said health reminder to appear directly on said financial card transaction statements.
165. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said health reminder to appear directly on said financial card transaction statements, where said financial card transaction statements comprise means for separating the health reminder portion of said financial card transaction statements from said financial card transaction statements that enables said health reminder portion to be removed from and stored separately from the transaction portion of said financial card transaction statements.
166. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said health reminder to comprise a separate item in addition to said financial card transaction statements in the financial card transaction statement enclosures.
167. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for providing said health reminder to said end users independently of said financial card transaction statements or financial card transaction statement enclosures.
168. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for providing said health reminder directly by said entity to said end users, or including means for providing said health reminder to said end users indirectly via a third party or third parties, where said third party or said third parties may be associated with, retained by, referred by, or linked via Internet or intranet with said entity.
169. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for selecting, by any party or parties deemed desirable, the communicative format of said health reminder and/or said financial card statements, where said party or said parties comprise said entity, said end users, and/or associated third party or third parties.

170. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said health reminder and said financial card transaction statements to comprise identical, similar or different communicative formats.
171. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said health reminder and/or said financial card transaction statements, either combined, not combined but sent together in the same enclosure, or sent separately, to be sent in a plurality of communications using identical, similar, or different communicative formats, further comprising including means for enabling each of the said plurality of communications using identical, similar, or different communicative formats to comprise any combination or permutation of identical, similar, or different content.
172. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said method to comprise disclaimers.
173. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling any or all method steps to be performed either directly by said entity; indirectly by a third party or third parties, where said third party or said third parties are associated with, retained by, referred by, or linked via Internet or intranet with said entity; or by any combination or permutation of said entity and said third party/said third parties.
174. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for enabling said method to be used in concert with special features or end user benefits intended for use with financial cards, or in concert with special features or end user benefits intended for use with a health reminder.
175. The method of claim 146, further comprising including means for providing said health reminder, as provided by said entity providing said financial cards and said related financial card customer services, to the public at large in absence of said financial cards, said related financial card customer services, and said financial card transaction statements, where the providing of said health reminder by said entity acts as a public service.

176. A system of providing financial cards and related financial card customer services comprising a health reminder for end users of said financial cards and said related financial card customer services, comprising:

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- a. means to enable an entity issuing said financial cards and providing said related financial card customer services to provide said health reminder, and comprising means to enable where said health reminder provides an additional and novel financial card customer service function relating to the health of said end users;
 - b. means to provide said financial cards and said related financial card customer services comprising said health reminder to said end users, where said financial cards and said related financial card services enables said end users to perform financial card functions relating to and comprising the purchase goods and services, and where said health reminder acts as a health awareness tool for said end users of said financial cards and said related financial card customer services, where said health reminder comprises at least one health related reminder(s), tip(s), or suggestion(s) for said end users and/or individuals related to or otherwise associated with said end users with regards to any health-related topic(s), health-related preventive measure(s), medical check-up(s), medical examination(s), or medical procedure(s), and where said health awareness tool encourages said end users to take self-initiative or self-action to heed said health-related preventive measure(s), to schedule said medical check-up(s), said medical examination(s), or said medical procedure(s), where said health awareness tool is not used to remind said end users of a preexisting or already scheduled doctor appointment, but rather to raise health awareness and to encourage said end users to self-schedule said medical check-up(s), said medical examination(s), and/or said medical procedure(s) in absence of any direct prompting from the doctors or health care professionals of said end users;
 - c. means to attract potential end users to said financial cards and said related financial card customer services comprising said health reminder;

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- d. means to convert said potential end users into said end users by enabling said potential end users to apply for said financial cards and said related financial card customer services, where the application for said financial cards and said related financial card customer services reflects the preferences, desires, or consent of said end users to receive said health reminder, or, in the case of said health reminder being offered to existing end users of financial cards and related financial card customer services, where said existing end users express preferences, desires or consent to receive said health reminder, and comprising a means to provide said potential end users with means to apply for said financial cards and said related financial card customer services, where said means to apply for said financial cards and said related financial card customer services comprises the use of any communicative format;
 - e. means to approve said potential end users to become approved said end users of said financial cards and said related financial card customer services, where the receiving of said health reminder is contingent upon said potential end users becoming said approved said end users of said financial cards and said financial card customer services, and where said health reminder is offered as an incentive for said potential end users to become said end users for said financial cards and said related financial card customer services;
 - f. means to provide and relay prompts to said end users relating to said health reminder, where said means to provide and relay prompts comprises the use of any communicative format, and where said means to provide and relay prompts to said end users may occur at any time before, during, or after said potential end users have become said approved end users of said financial cards and said related financial card customer services;
 - g. means to receive end user data relating to said health reminder, where said means to receive end user data comprises the use of any communicative format, and where said means to receive said end user data relating to said

health reminder may occur at any time before, during, or after said potential end users have become said approved end users of said financial cards and said related financial card customer services;

- h. means to store said end user data on a computer readable medium relating to said health reminder;
- i. means to allow said end users to perform transactions relating to said financial cards and related financial card customer services, using said financial cards, resulting in transaction data;
- j. means to store said transaction data on a computer readable medium;
- k. means to provide said health reminder to said end users based on said prompts and said end user data, where said means to provide said health reminder comprises the use of any communicative format; and,
- l. means to provide financial card transaction statements to said end users based on said transaction data, where said means to provide said financial card transaction statements comprises the use of any communicative format.

177. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said system to function in terms of a financial card comprising a health reminder feature, or where said system functions in terms of a health reminder comprising a financial card feature, comprising means to enable an entity that provides said health reminder to also issue financial cards and provide financial card customer services, where said financial cards and said related financial card customer services are specifically offered in conjunction with, specifically related or tied to, or otherwise specifically combined with said health reminder, and not where said entity issues said financial cards and provides said related financial card customer services where said health reminder is not specifically offered in conjunction with, not specifically related or tied to, or not otherwise specifically combined with financial cards and said related financial card customer services.

178. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said financial card to comprise any financial card used wholly or in part as a credit instrument.
179. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said financial card to comprise any financial card used wholly or in part as a debit or ATM instrument.
180. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said health reminder to comprise information provided by the following entities, either singularly, or plurally in any combination or permutation: said entity; said end users; or a third party entity or third party entities, where said third party entity or said third party entities may or may not comprise entities in a health related field; further comprising including means to enable said entity, said end users, said third party entity or said third party entities to relay said information using any communicative format or technology.
181. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said prompts to comprise specific headings, questions, information, or guidelines that enable said end users to supply said end user data.
182. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said prompts to comprise specific headings, questions, information, or guidelines that have health related topicalities, where the totality of said prompts comprises the addressing of health related matters of said end user and where the intended purpose of said totality of said prompts is to raise said end user's awareness of health related issues pertinent to said end user.
183. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said reminders, tips, or suggestions to comprise both health related and non-health related topicalities, and comprising means to enable said prompts to comprise specific headings, questions, information, or guidelines comprising both health related and non-health related topicalities.
184. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to provide said prompts to said end users either directly by said entity providing said health reminder, or indirectly via a third party or third parties, where said third

party or said third parties may or may not comprise entities in a health related field, where said third party or said third parties may be associated with, retained by, referred by, or linked via Internet or intranet with said entity, and comprising means to provide said prompts to said end users using any communicative format or technology.

185. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to add, modify, revise, or delete said prompts by any party or parties deemed desirable, where said party or said parties comprise said entity, said end users, and/or associated third party entity or third party entities, where said third party entity or said third party entities may or may not comprise entities in a health related field, where said third party or said third parties may be associated with, retained by, referred by, or linked via Internet or intranet with said entity and/or said end users, and comprising means to add, modify, revise, or delete said prompts using any communicative format or technology.
186. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said end user data to comprise basic cardholder information.
187. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said end user data to comprise end user preferences information.
188. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to add, modify, revise, or delete said end user data by any party or parties deemed desirable, where said party or said parties comprise said entity, said end users, and/or associated third party entity or third party entities, where said third party entity or said third party entities may or may not comprise entities in a health related field, where said third party or said third parties may be associated with, retained by, referred by, or linked via Internet or intranet with said entity and/or said end users, and comprising means to add, modify, revise, or delete said end user data using any communicative format or technology.
189. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said health reminder to comprise reminders, tips, or suggestions that are

automatic, general, or non end user-specific in nature, and do not comprise basic end user information or end user preferences information.

190. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said health reminder to comprise reminders, tips, or suggestions that comprise basic end user information to tailor said reminders, tips, or suggestions to said end users.

191. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said health reminder to comprise reminders, tips, or suggestions that comprise end user preferences information that enables said end users to select, customize or tailor any or all aspects of said reminders, tips, or suggestions comprising parameters, content, text, etc, where the end results comprise the preferences or desires of said end users.

192. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said health reminder to comprise reminders, tips, or suggestions that comprise any permutation or combination of: reminders, tips, or suggestions that are automatic, general, or non-end user specific in nature, and do not comprise basic end user information or end user preferences information; reminders, tips, or suggestions that comprise basic end user information to tailor said reminders, tips, or suggestions to said end users; or reminders, tips, or suggestions that comprise end user preferences information that enables said end users to select, customize or tailor any or all aspects of said reminders, tips, or suggestions comprising parameters, content, text, etc, where the end results comprise the preferences or desires of said end users.

193. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to acknowledge the receipt of said health reminder by said end users.

194. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said health reminder to appear directly on said financial card transaction statements.

195. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said health reminder to appear directly on said financial card transaction statements, where said financial card transaction statements comprise means

to separate the health reminder portion of said financial card transaction statements from said financial card transaction statements that enables said health reminder portion to be removed from and stored separately from the transaction portion of said financial card transaction statements.

196. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said health reminder to comprise a separate item in addition to said financial card transaction statements in the financial card transaction statement enclosures.
197. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to provide said health reminder to said end users independently of said financial card transaction statements or financial card transaction statement enclosures.
198. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to provide said health reminder directly by said entity to said end users, or including means to provide said health reminder to said end users indirectly via a third party or third parties, where said third party or said third parties may be associated with, retained by, referred by, or linked via Internet or intranet with said entity.
199. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to select, by any party or parties deemed desirable, the communicative format of said health reminder and/or said financial card statements, where said party or said parties comprise said entity, said end users, and/or associated third party or third parties.
200. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said health reminder and said financial card transaction statements to comprise identical, similar or different communicative formats.
201. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said health reminder and/or said financial card transaction statements, either combined, not combined but sent together in the same enclosure, or sent separately, to be sent in a plurality of communications using identical, similar, or different communicative formats, further comprising including means to enable each of the said plurality of communications using identical, similar, or

different communicative formats to comprise any combination or permutation of identical, similar, or different content.

202. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said system to comprise disclaimers.
203. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable any or all system steps to be performed either directly by said entity; indirectly by a third party or third parties, where said third party or said third parties are associated with, retained by, referred by, or linked via Internet or intranet with said entity; or by any combination or permutation of said entity and said third party/said third parties.
204. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to enable said system to be used in concert with special features or end user benefits intended for use with financial cards, or in concert with special features or end user benefits intended for use with a health reminder.
205. The system of claim 176, further comprising including means to provide said health reminder, as provided by said entity providing said financial cards and said related financial card customer services, to the public at large in absence of said financial cards, said related financial card customer services, and said financial card transaction statements, where the providing of said health reminder by said entity acts as a public service.